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Senate Bill 359

Ordered by the Senate March 24
Including Senate Amendments dated March 24

Sponsored by COMMITTEE ON RULES (at the request of Governor Theodore R. Kulongoski)

SUMMARY

The following summary is not prepared by the sponsors of the measure and is not a part of the body thereof subject to consideration by the Legislative Assembly. It is an editor's brief statement of the essential features of the measure.

Establishes Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office to provide administrative support to Commission on Hispanic Affairs, Commission on Black Affairs, Commission for Women and Commission on Asian Affairs. **Provides that members appointed by Governor to commissions represent, to extent possible, all areas of state.** Provides consistent reimbursement provisions for members of commissions.

A BILL FOR AN ACT

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2 Relating to Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office; creating new provisions; amending ORS 185.320,
3 185.420, 185.520, 185.550 and 185.610; repealing ORS 185.340, 185.350, 185.440, 185.450, 185.570,
4 185.630 and 185.640; and appropriating money.

5 **Be It Enacted by the People of the State of Oregon:**

6 **SECTION 1. The Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office is established to provide admin-**
7 **istrative support to:**

- 8 (1) **The Commission on Hispanic Affairs;**
9 (2) **The Commission on Black Affairs;**
10 (3) **The Commission for Women; and**
11 (4) **The Commission on Asian Affairs.**

12 **SECTION 2. (1) The Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office is under the supervision and**
13 **control of an administrator, who is responsible for the performance of the duties, functions**
14 **and powers of the office.**

15 (2) **The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall establish the**
16 **qualifications for and appoint the Administrator of the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.**
17 **The Director of the Oregon Department of Administrative Services shall consult with the**
18 **commissions served by the office before appointing the Administrator of the Oregon Advoca-**
19 **cacy Commissions Office.**

20 (3) **The Administrator of the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office shall receive a salary**
21 **as prescribed by law, or as prescribed by the Director of the Oregon Department of Admin-**
22 **istrative Services if a salary is not prescribed by law.**

23 (4) **The Administrator of the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office is in the unclassified**
24 **service.**

25 (5) **Subject to the availability of funds, the Administrator of the Oregon Advocacy Com-**
26 **missions Office shall provide each commission served by the office with the administrative**

NOTE: Matter in **boldfaced** type in an amended section is new; matter [*italic and bracketed*] is existing law to be omitted. New sections are in **boldfaced** type.

1 support needed by the commission to carry out the statutory duties of the commission.
2 Subject to any applicable provisions of the State Personnel Relations Law, the administrator
3 shall employ all persons necessary for the operation of the office, prescribe the duties of
4 those employees and establish the compensation payable to those employees.

5 **SECTION 3.** The Administrator of the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office may adopt
6 rules necessary for the administration of sections 1 to 5 of this 2005 Act.

7 **SECTION 4.** In performing powers and duties under sections 1 to 5 of this 2005 Act, the
8 Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office may utilize the administrative assistance of the
9 Oregon Department of Administrative Services. The office shall pay to the department a
10 proportionate share of the cost of such administrative services, such share to be fixed by
11 biennial negotiation between the office and the department.

12 **SECTION 5.** (1) The Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office Account is established in the
13 General Fund of the State Treasury. The account consists of the moneys received by the
14 Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office, or by the commissions served by the office, other than
15 moneys appropriated to the office by the Legislative Assembly. All moneys in the account
16 are appropriated continuously to the office, and may be used by the office only for the com-
17 mission to which the contribution was made and for the purposes for which the contributions
18 were made.

19 (2) The Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office, and the commissions served by the office,
20 may accept contributions of funds and assistance from the United States, agencies of the
21 United States or any other source, public or private, and agree to conditions on receiving the
22 funds or assistance. Any funds received under this section must be deposited in the Oregon
23 Advocacy Commissions Office Account.

24 **SECTION 6.** ORS 185.320 is amended to read:

25 185.320. (1) The Commission on Hispanic Affairs shall be comprised of 11 members, to include
26 two representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the Senate,
27 one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be appointed by
28 the Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon Constitution.
29 **To the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for representation**
30 **from all areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be residents of this**
31 **state.**

32 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve three-year terms. Legislators shall serve
33 two-year terms.

34 (3) The commission members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.

35 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of
36 business.

37 (5) Appointments to the commission shall be made to [*insure*] **ensure** representation of Hispanics
38 in Oregon.

39 [*(6) Subject to the availability of funds therefor:*]

40 [*(a) Members appointed by the Governor shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in*
41 *ORS 292.495 from such funds as may be available to the commission.*]

42 [*(b) Legislators may receive the amount fixed by ORS 171.072 from funds appropriated to the*
43 *Legislative Assembly for interim committee duty.*]

44 (6) **Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are not legis-**
45 **lators shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds ap-**

1 **propriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.**

2 **(7) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are legislators**
3 **shall be paid compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable**
4 **from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.**

5 **SECTION 7.** ORS 185.420 is amended to read:

6 185.420. (1) The Commission on Black Affairs shall be comprised of 11 members, to include two
7 representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the Senate, one
8 appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be appointed by the
9 Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon Constitution. **To**
10 **the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for representation**
11 **from all areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be residents of this**
12 **state.**

13 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve three-year terms. Legislators shall serve
14 two-year terms.

15 (3) The commission members shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson.

16 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitute a quorum for the transaction of
17 business.

18 (5) Appointments to the commission shall be made to [*insure*] **ensure** representation of blacks
19 in Oregon.

20 [*(6) Subject to the availability of funds therefor:*]

21 [*(a) Members appointed by the Governor shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in*
22 *ORS 292.495 from such funds as may be available to the commission.]*

23 [*(b) Legislators may receive the amount fixed by ORS 171.072 from funds appropriated to the*
24 *Legislative Assembly for interim committee duty.]*

25 **(6) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are not legis-**
26 **lators shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds ap-**
27 **propriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.**

28 **(7) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are legislators**
29 **shall be paid compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable**
30 **from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.**

31 **SECTION 7a.** ORS 185.520 is amended to read:

32 185.520. (1) The membership of the Commission for Women shall be comprised of 11 members,
33 to include two representatives from the Legislative Assembly, one appointed by the President of the
34 Senate, one appointed by the Speaker of the House of Representatives. Nine members shall be ap-
35 pointed by the Governor and confirmed by the Senate pursuant to section 4, Article III, Oregon
36 Constitution. **To the extent possible, members appointed by the Governor shall provide for**
37 **representation from all areas of the state. All of the members of the commission shall be**
38 **residents of this state.**

39 (2) Members appointed by the Governor shall serve for three-year terms. Legislators shall serve
40 two-year terms.

41 (3) The Governor shall designate the chairperson of the commission to serve for a term of one
42 year.

43 (4) Members shall meet at the call of the chairperson not less than three times annually.

44 (5) Consistent with Oregon law, the commission may receive and accept funds for purposes
45 consistent with the creation of the commission.

1 **SECTION 8.** ORS 185.550 is amended to read:

2 185.550. *[(1) Members of the commission who are not members of the Legislative Assembly shall*
3 *be paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495. Such compensation and expenses shall*
4 *be paid from the budget of the commission or from member agency accounts subject to applicable state*
5 *law. Members of ad hoc committees shall not receive such compensation.]*

6 *[(2) Members of the commission who are members of the Legislative Assembly shall be paid com-*
7 *penetration and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable from funds appropriated*
8 *to the Legislative Assembly.]*

9 **(1) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the Commission for Women who**
10 **are not legislators shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495 from**
11 **funds appropriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.**

12 **(2) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are legislators**
13 **shall be paid compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable**
14 **from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.**

15 **SECTION 9.** ORS 185.610 is amended to read:

16 185.610. *[(1) The Commission on Asian Affairs is created and shall be comprised of 11 members.*
17 *Nine of the 11 members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate under*
18 *ORS 171.562 and 171.565. Of the nine members appointed by the Governor, at least one member shall*
19 *be appointed from each of the congressional districts referred to in ORS 188.135. One member shall*
20 *be appointed by the President of the Senate, and one member shall be appointed by the Speaker of the*
21 *House of Representatives. In addition to the 11 members, two representatives from the Legislative*
22 *Assembly, one appointed by the President of the Senate and one appointed by the Speaker of the House*
23 *of Representatives, shall serve as nonvoting, ex officio members of the commission. All of the members*
24 *of the commission shall be residents of this state.]*

25 **(1) The Commission on Asian Affairs is created. The commission has 11 members. Nine**
26 **of the 11 members shall be appointed by the Governor, subject to confirmation by the Senate**
27 **under ORS 171.562 and 171.565. The President of the Senate shall appoint one senator as a**
28 **member of the commission, and the Speaker of the House of Representatives shall appoint**
29 **one representative as a member of the commission. To the extent possible, members ap-**
30 **pointed by the Governor shall provide for representation from all areas of the state. All of**
31 **the members of the commission shall be residents of this state.**

32 (2) The term of office is three years. Appointments to fill a vacancy for the unexpired term shall
33 be made by the person who made the original appointment.

34 (3) The commission shall elect a chairperson and vice chairperson for a term of one year and
35 shall determine the duties of the officers.

36 (4) A majority of the members of the commission constitutes a quorum for the transaction of
37 business but no final decision may be made without an affirmative vote of the majority of the
38 members appointed to the commission.

39 (5) Appointments to the commission shall be made to ensure, to the greatest extent possible,
40 ethnic representation of Asian Americans in Oregon.

41 **(6) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are not legis-**
42 **lators shall be paid compensation and expenses as provided in ORS 292.495 from funds ap-**
43 **propriated to the Oregon Advocacy Commissions Office.**

44 **(7) Subject to the availability of funding, members of the commission who are legislators**
45 **shall be paid compensation and expense reimbursement as provided in ORS 171.072, payable**

1 **from funds appropriated to the Legislative Assembly.**

2 **SECTION 10. ORS 185.340, 185.350, 185.440, 185.450, 185.570, 185.630 and 185.640 are re-**
3 **pealed.**

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